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Serial No. 1

From The Secy to Govt Home & Revenue Dept F. 94-42/W & 6th Aug. 42 forg copies of Defence Co-ordination Dept & Rly Dept letters re: the position of Central Govt property and personnel in areas subjected to enemy attack.

Subd for perusal. Copies of the Letters cited in Govt of India ARP Controllers of Blue Mysore Kolar and Bangalore Dists and G.S.M. Mysore for information and guidance.

CHIEF SECRETARY
10 AUG. 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE

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Subd with a letter to the Concerned officers.

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2. Rescan 1138-52/W & 19th Aug. 42 to the ISP G.S.M. Mysore Dcs ARB Controller of Blue Mysore Kolar Bangalore

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Position of Central Govt Property and Personnel Vis-a-Vis Provincial authorities in areas subject to enemy attack.

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General and Revenue Secretariat

From

Serial No. 3.

The Secretary to Govt Revenue Dept F.9442/W dated 17th Aug. 42 requesting to intimate the name and address of the officer who will exercise Supreme authority in the different areas in the Mysore State in all matters relating to ARP & Civil Defence in the event of any attack.

Copies of the previous letters have been sent to the ISP. Dy Cs of Pols. S.M. Morbeth for information. Orders for perusal and advice whether a reply may be sent that the ISP will be the supreme authority for ARP and the Dy Cs of Pols for Civil Defence in their respective Dts. since the ISP is the Central co-ordinating authority for ARP and the Dy Cs of Pols have been appointed as C.D. Comms for their Dts.

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A weekly progress report of the activities of Civil Defence Commissioners & ~~D.I.G.~~ A.R.P. Controllers for the consolidation of the areas for which separate Controllers are appointed & Vice the I.S.P. is the co-ordinating authority for the State for A.R.P.

Chief Secy

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CHIEF SECRETARY
20 AUG. 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE

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SECRET.

THE OFFICE OF THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE,

Dated Bangalore, the 6th August 1942.

No.F. 94-4/40 (E3)

A copy of the undermentioned papers is forwarded with compliments to the -

Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore,

for information.

2. His Excellency the Crown Representative has decided that the position of, and the procedure governing, his personnel and property vis-a-vis the local authority in Indian States and Administered Areas will be the same as those prescribed for Central Government personnel and property in the Provinces.

3. The Central Government have under consideration the question of issuing similar instructions to their officers stationed in Indian States and Administered Areas in respect of Central Government property and personnel.

By order, etc.,

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

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1. Letter from the Government of India, Defence Co-ordination Department, to all Provincial Governments, etc. No.1258-SM/42, dated the 22nd April 1942.

2. Letter from the Government of India, Railway Department (Railway Board), No.ARP42CDC/1, dated the 29th May 1942.

3. Letter from the Government of India, Railway Department (Railway Board), No.ARP42CDC/1, dated the 15th July 1942.

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Position of Central Government property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in areas subjected to enemy attack.

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It is understood that Provincial Governments have arranged that in each district or other convenient area there will be one officer who will bethe supreme authority in all matters relating to A.R.P. and civil defence in the event of an enemy attack. Doubts have from time to time been expressed as to the position of Central Government personnel or property vis-a-vis this officer, and the Government of India wish to make their position clear.

2. In their view, the position should be as follows: -

(1) the officer in question must have full powers in respect of all persons and property in his area, much as a military commander would in a state of martial law;

(2) any orders he may issue must be carried out promptly, and there will be no time for obtaining sanction from any remote authority;

(3) it follows that all Central Government personnel in his area must carry out any instructions he may give them as regards their own action or disposal of property under their control, whether they would normally be empowered to take the required action without reference to some higher authority or not. Even if such action were not within the four corners of the law, they should comply on the assumption that the position would be regularised later if necessary;

(4) since, however, the officer in question may not always have a full knowledge of the circumstances affecting the Central Government personnel or property in respect of which he may have to make orders, it is desirable that before making any orders affecting Central Government personnel or property he should whenever circumstances permit consult the Central Government officers concerned beforehand; and even after orders have been made he should be prepared to consider any representation which the Central Government officers concerned might make;

(5) it is evidently desirable therefore that the officer in question and the Central Government officers in his area should reach a clear understanding with one another before an emergency actually arises about action which may have to be taken, and in particular that Central Government officers should be in no doubt as to the identity and powers of the officers from whom they may expect to receive orders.

3. The Government of India are accordingly issuing instructions to their officers in the sense of the preceding paragraph, and they request the Provincial Government to inform their officers accordingly. While they believe that in most cases no difficulties have arisen or are to be anticipated, there appear to be advantages in stating the position as clearly as possible. The Government of India will be very ready to do what they can to remove any difficulties or misunderstandings which may be referred to them.

4. I am to add that the above instructions are subject to two exceptions:-

(a) railway property and personnel, about which a separate communication will follow;

(b) military property and personnel, especially in cantonments. Station Commanders who are appointed A.R.P. Controllers or Deputy Controllers in respect of a cantonment area, so that they have powers in respect of civilian personnel in that area, will pro tanto come under the control of the Provincial officers in question and will carry out his instructions. They must however be left to use their own discretion as regards purely military property and personnel.

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Copy of a letter from the Government of India, Railway Department (Railway Board), to all State-managed Railways, etc. No.ARP42CDC/1, dated the 29th May 1942.

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Position of Railway property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in areas subjected to enemy attack.

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2. The position of the railways is somewhat different from that of other Departments of the Government of India in that -

(a) the railway A.R.P. Services cannot be divorced from the general operation of the railway and if they were to be employed on A.R.P. work elsewhere the working of the railway might be seriously interfered with;

(b) a railway can only be regarded as a whole. A District Magistrate (or corresponding officer in Presidencytowns) would have control of an area through which only a relatively small portion of a railway system would pass but action in that area might well affect important moves, military or civil, outside the area;

(c) There is no other Central Government service on the same footing as railways, either in regard to the magnitude of the undertaking or in importance in the present circumstances, saving of course the Defence Services. The Railways become practically one of the Defence Services.

3. It has been decided, therefore, that definite instructions on this subject such as have been issued to Government of India's officers should not be issued to railway administrations. They are reminded, however, that the District Magistrate (or corresponding officer in Presidency Towns) possesses inherent powers to co-ordinate all civil defence measures, including air raid precautions in his District, and the Railway Board desire to emphasize to Railway Administrations the importance of whole-hearted co-operation with the District Magistrate (or corresponding officer in Presidency Towns) to the utmost extent compatible with the continued safe and efficient operation of the railway as a through means of communication.

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Position of Railway property and personnel vis-a-vis Indian States and Administered Areas, in areas subject to enemy attack.

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Reference Railway Board's letter No.ARP42CDC/1 dated 29th May 1942.

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The instructions contained in the above-quoted letter apply also to Railway personnel and property in Indian States and Administered Areas.

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SECRET.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

No.1138-52/W.Emcls. Dated, Bangalore, the 19th Aug. 1942.

From W55-42-2

The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To The I.G.P. The Resident Controller of Mysore, Mysore, Bhadravathi I.G.P. The Deputy Commissioners of Districts. The C.M.P. M.S.R.P.

Sir,

Railway &
Position of/Central Government property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in areas subjected to enemy attack.

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I am directed to forward for your information copies of the marginally noted letters, and to state that the Residency have written to say that His Excellency the Crown Representative has decided that the position of, and the procedure governing, his personnel and property vis-a-vis the local authority in Indian States and Administered Areas will be the same as those prescribed for Central Government personnel and property in the Provinces.

1. Letter from the Govt. of India, Defence Co-ordination Dept. to all Provincial Govts. etc. No.1253-SM/42, dated the 22nd April 1942.
2. Letters No.A.H.P.42.C.D.C./1 dated the 29th May & 15th July 1942 from the Govt. of India, Railway Dept. (Railway Board).

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

Copy of a letter from the Govt. of India, Defence Co-ordination Dept. to all Provincial Govts., etc. No.1258-SX/42, dated the 22nd April 1942.

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Position of Central Govt. property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in areas subjected to enemy attack.

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It is understood that Provincial Govts. have arranged that in each district or other convenient area there will be one officer who will be the supreme authority in all matters relating to A.R.P. and civil defence in the event of an enemy attack. Doubts have from time to time been expressed as to the position of Central Govt. personnel or property vis-a-vis this officer, and the Govt. of India wish to make their position clear.

2. In their view, the position should be as follows:-

(1) the officer in question must have full powers in respect of all persons and property in his area, much as a military commander would in a state of martial law;

(2) any orders he may issue must be carried out promptly, and there will be no time for obtaining sanction from any remote authority;

(3) it follows that all Central Govt. personnel in his area must carry out any instructions he may give them as regards their own action or disposal of property under their control, whether they would normally be empowered to take the required action without reference to some higher authority or not. Even if such action were not within the four corners of the law, they should comply on the assumption that the position would be regularised later if necessary;

(4) since, however, the officer in question may not always have a full knowledge of the circumstances affecting the Central Govt. personnel or property in respect of which he may have to make orders, it is desirable that before making any orders affecting Central Govt. personnel or property he should whenever circumstances permit consult the Central Govt. officers concerned beforehand; and even after orders have been made he should be prepared to consider any representation which the Central Govt. officers concerned might make;

(5) it is evidently desirable therefore that the officer in question and the Central Govt. officers in his area should reach a clear understanding with one another before an emergency actually arises about action which may have to be taken, and in particular that Central Govt.officers should be in no doubt as to the identity and powers of the officers from whom they may expect to receive orde

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misunderstandings which may be referred to them.

4. I am to add that the above instructions are subject to two exceptions;

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(b) military property and personnel, especially in cantonments. Station Commanders who are appointed A.R.P. Controllers or Deputy Controllers in respect of a cantonment area, so that they have powers in respect of civilian personnel in that area, will ex officio come under the control of the Provincial officers in question and will carry out his instructions. They must however be left to use their own discretion as regards purely military property and personnel.

Copy of a letter from the Govt. of India, Railway Dept. (Railway Board), to all State-managed Railways, etc. No.A.R.P.42CDC/1, dated the 29th May 1942.

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Position of Railway property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in areas subjected to enemy attack.

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2. The position of the railways is somewhat different from that of other Depts. of the Govt. of India in that -

(a) the railway A.R.P. services cannot be divorced from the general operation of the railway and if they were to be employed on A.R.P. work elsewhere the working of the railway might be seriously interfered with;

(b) a railway can only be regarded as a whole. A Dist. Magistrate (or corresponding officer in Presidency towns) would have control of an area through which only a relatively small portion of a railway system would pass but action in that area might well affect important moves, military or civil, outside the area;

(c) There is no other Central Govt. service on the same footing as railways, either in regard to the magnitude of the undertaking or in importance in the present circumstances, saving of course the Defence Services. The Railways become practically one of the Defence Services.

3. It has been decided, therefore, that definite instructions on this subject such as have been issued to Govt. of India's Officers should not be issued to railway administrations. They are reminded, however, that the Dist. Magistrate (or corresponding officer

in Presidency Towns) possesses inherent powers to co-ordinate all civil defence measures, including air raid precautions in his Dist. and the Railway Board desire to emphasise to Railway Administrations the importance of whole-hearted co-operation with the District Magistrate (or corresponding officer in Presidency Towns) to the utmost extent compatible with the continued safe and efficient operation of the railway as a through means of communication.

Copy of a letter from the Govt. of India, Railway Dept. (Railway Board), to all State-managed Railways, etc. No.A.R.P.42CDC/1, dated the 15th July 1942.

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Position of Railway property and personnel vis-a-vis Indian States and Administered Areas, in areas subject to enemy attack.

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Reference Railway Board's letter No.A.R.P.42.C.D.C./1 dated 29th May 1942.

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The Instructions contained in the above-quoted letter apply also to Railway personnel and property in Indian States and Administered Areas.

The reply to this communication should be addressed to the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore, by designation and not by name.

SECRET. W 55-42-3.

No. F.94-42/W.

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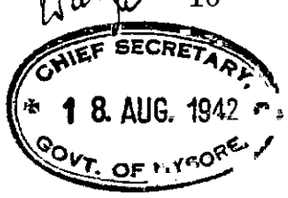
FROM

THE SECRETARY TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To



The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated Bangalore, the 17th August *1942*.

Position of Central Government property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in areas subject to enemy attack.

SIR,

I am directed to refer to para 3 of endorsement from this Residency No.F.94-42/W, dated the 6th August 1942, and to state that it has been decided that the position and procedure with regard to Central Government personnel and property in Indian States and Administered Areas should be the same as those prescribed for the Provinces.

2. I am therefore to request that, if there is no objection, this Residency may kindly be informed at an early date of the name(s) and address(es) of the officer(s) who will exercise supreme authority in the different areas of the M y s o r e State in all matters relating to A.R.P. and Civil Defence in the event of an enemy attack. On receipt of this information, it is proposed, if there is no objection, to ask the Central Government officers stationed in the State to get into touch with the State officer(s) concerned and settle details.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

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Lol 456 dt 21st August 1942

To W55-42-4.

The Secy. to the Resident.

Sir,

Position of Central Govt. property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in ~~xx~~ areas subject to enemy attack.

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With refce. to your letter No.F.94-92 dated the 17th August 1942 on the above subject, I am directed to state that the Dy. Commrs. of Dists. are the Civil Defence Commrs. and also A.R.P. Controllers for their respective Dists. undermentioned excluding the ~~xxxgixxxkkyxxxxxxx~~ places for which separate A.R.P. Controllers have been appointed ~~and~~ the I.G.P. is the Co-ordinating Authority for all the A.R.P. measures in the State.

Mysore City -	Pdt., City Ml. Cl., Mysore.
Bhadravati -	G.M., Iron Works.
K.G.F. -	Chief Inspector of Mines.
Davangere & Harihar Towns.& Taluks -	S.D.O., Davangere.
Sivasamudram -	The Genl. Supdt., of Generation. Sivasamudram.
Shimshapura -	The Supdt. of Generation. Shimshapura.
Kankanhalli Power & Lighting Station & Electric Colony.	The Supdt., Kankanhalli P. & L.
Soldevanahalli -	The Asst. Engr., Water Supply Dn., Bangalore.
Thippagondanahalli -	The Supdt., Chamarajendra Water Works, Thippagondanahalli.
Belagola -	The G.M., Mysore Chemical & Fertilisers, Belagola.
K.R.Sagar. -	The Ex. Engr., K.R.S. Dn.
Kankanhalli Town excluding P. & L. Station & Elec. Colony -	Amildar, Kankanhalli.

I have etc.,

2. Chief Secy. to Govt.

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Copy to I.G.P. & D.Cs. of Dists. in continuation of this office letter No.1138-52/W dated 19-8-1942 with a copy of Resy. letter.

SECRET.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

Dated, Bangalore, the 26th Aug. 1942.

No. Pol.496/W. W55-42-4.

From

The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

Sir,

Position of Central Government property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in areas subject to enemy attack.

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With reference to your letter No.F.94-92 dated the 17th August 1942 on the above subject, I am directed to state that the Deputy Commissioners of Districts are the Civil Defence Commissioners and also A.R.P. Controllers for their respective Districts excluding the undermentioned places for which separate A.R.P. Controllers have been appointed.

Mysore City	- President, City Municipal Council, Mysore.
Bhadravati	- General Manager, Iron Works, Bhadravati.
K.G.F.	- Chief Inspector of Mines, Oorgaum.
Davangere & Haribar Towns & taluks	- Sub Division Officer, Davangere.
Sivasamudrum	- General Superintendent of Generation, Sivasamudram.
Shimshapura	- Superintendent of Generation, Shimshapura.
Kankanhalli Power & Lighting Station & Electric Colony	- Superintendent, Kankanhalli Power & Lighting.
Doddevanahalli	- Assistant Engineer, Water Supply Division, Bangalore.
Thippagondanahalli	- Superintendent, Chamarajendra Water Works, Bangalore.
Belagola	- General Manager, Mysore Chemical & Fertilisers, Belagola.
Krishnarajasagar	- Executive Engineer, Krishnarajasagar Division.
Kankanhalli Town excluding Power & Lighting Station & Electric Colony.	Amildar, Kankanhalli.

The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore is the Co-ordinating Authority for all the A.R.P. measures in the State.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd.) M.G.Mehkri.
Chief Secretary to Government.

Memo No. 1296-309/W.Encl. Dated the 26th August 1942.

Copy of the above is forwarded with compliments to the Dy. Commissioners of Dists. in continuation of this office letter No. 1138-52/W dated the 19-8-1942 with a copy of Residency letter dated 17-8-1942.

By the Chief Secretary to Govt.

SECRET.

Copy of letter No.P.94-42/W dated the 17th August 1942 from the Secy. to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

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Position of Central Govt. property and personnel vis-a-vis Provincial authorities in areas subject to enemy attack.

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Copy of a letter from the Govt. of India, Railway Dept. (Railway Board), to all State-managed Railways, etc. No.A.R.P.42CDC/1, dated the 29th May 1942.

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Copy of a letter from the Govt. of India, Railway Dept. (Railway Board), to all State-managed Railways, etc. No.A.R.P.42.C.D.C/1 dated the 15th July 1942.

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Position of Railway property and personnel vis-a-vis Indian States and Administered Areas in areas subject to enemy attack.

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Reference Railway Board's letter No.A.R.P.42.C.D.C./1 dated 29th May 1942.

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